

In the Claims:

The following claims have been amended as indicated below wherein added words are underlined and deleted words are indicated by ~~strikethrough~~.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A vitreous cutter comprising:

a housing;

a plurality of vanes rotatably attached within the housing;

an inlet for receiving pressurized fluid causing rotation of the vanes;

an outlet for allowing the pressurized fluid to exit the cutter;

a cam attached to the vanes and rotatably attached within the housing and

structured to rotate upon rotation of the vanes; and

a vitrectomy probe contained within the housing and structured for

reciprocal movement caused by rotating the cam; ;

a brake for selectively stopping rotation of the cam;

wherein the brake is structured to stop rotation of the cam in less than one (1)

revolution of the cam after the pressurized fluid has been cut-off from the inlet,

such that the probe is stopped in a retracted position.

2. (Cancel) The vitreous cutter of claim 1 wherein the pressurized fluid is a continuous source of air.
3. (Cancel) The vitreous cutter of claim 1 wherein the vitrectomy probe further includes:
 - a cam-plate attached to a proximal end of the vitrectomy probe;
 - a spring surrounding the vitrectomy probe;
 - wherein the spring is positioned between the cam-plate and the housing such that the cam-plate is biased towards the cam; and
 - wherein the cam rotation causes reciprocating movement of the vitrectomy probe.
4. (Cancel) The vitreous cutter of claim 1 further including a brake for selectively stopping rotation of the cam.
5. (Cancel) The vitreous cutter of claim 4 wherein the brake is structured to stop rotation of the cam in less than one (1) revolution of the cam after the pressurized fluid has been cut-off from the inlet.

6. (Currently Amended) The vitreous cutter of claim 4-1 wherein the brake further includes:

a resilient arm fixedly attached to the housing at one end;

a brake-block attached to an opposing end of the arm;

a notched shaft-portion fixed upon an axis of rotation of the cam such that

the notch receives the brake-block; and

wherein the resilient arm is deflected by the pressurized fluid to allow

rotation of the cam and where the arm causes the brake-block to be

received within the notch after the pressurized fluid has been cut-off from

the inlet.

7. (Cancel) The vitreous cutter of claim 1 wherein the vitreous probe further includes an aspiration bore such that the bore is in communication with an aspiration channel contained within the housing.